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T.J. HUMES, MAYOR

SEATTLE WASHINGTON, Feb. 12, 1900.

To the Honorable City Council.

Gentlemen: -

During the time I have had the honor of being the chief executive officer of this city it has been my custom to give to known residents of the city, of good character, permission to carry a revolver upon their person in going to or returning from their places of business. In the spring of the year 1899 I gave such permission to Charles E. Plimpton and R. B. Matterson, with the express admonition that if any person should attempt to hold them up and rob them to shoot such person dead. On the evening of the ____ day of January, 1900, while said Matterce arning to this city from the City of son and Flimpton Ballard, and while or sard the street car running between this city and the City of Ballara, a highwayman attempted to hold up the car and to rob the passengers on board, which attempt was frustrated by said Matterson and Plimpton, resulting in the death of the desperado. During the melee, in which a great many shots were fired by the desperado, Matterson and Plimpton, Plimpton received a serious wound in the ann, since which time he has been unable to follow his ordinary avocation and has been to some considerable expense for doctor bill and hospital charges.

In consideration of the gallant and noble service performed by these men on that occasion, I would consider it a just tribute to their bravery as exhibited upon that occasion in removing from our midst such desperado for the city to pay such doctor bill and hospital expenses. Any measure passed by you relieving Mr.

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Himpton from the payment of this doctor bill and hospital expenses will receive my approval and I think of the people generally of this city.

Very respectfully,

Hayor.